

CLAIMS

What is claimed is:

1. A composition comprising a polymer having at least one first monomeric unit having Formula I(a), in Figure 1, wherein:
 - Ar¹ can be the same or different at each occurrence and is selected from aryl and heteroaryl;
 - Ar² can be the same or different at each occurrence and is selected from arylene and heteroarylene;
 - R¹ can be the same or different at each occurrence and is selected from H, alkyl, heteroalkyl, aryl, heteroaryl, arylalkylene, heteroarylalkylene, C_nH_aF_b, and C₆H_cF_d; or adjacent R¹ groups can be joined to form 5- or 6-membered rings;
 - n is an integer; and
 - a, b, c, and d are 0 or an integer such that a+b = 2n + 1, and c + d = 5.
2. The composition of Claim 1 wherein Ar¹ is selected from phenyl, substituted phenyl, biphenyl, substituted biphenyl, pyridyl, substituted pyridyl, bipyridyl, and substituted bipyridyl.
3. The composition of Claim 1 wherein N(R¹)₂ is selected from carbazoles, benzodiazoles, and benzotriazoles.
4. The composition of Claim 1 wherein R¹ is selected from alkyl groups having 1 through 12 carbon atoms, phenyl and benzyl.
5. A composition comprising a polymer having at least one first monomeric unit having Formula II(a) in Figure 2, wherein:
 - R² and R³ are the same or different at each occurrence and are selected from H, F, Cl, Br, alkyl, heteroalkyl, alkenyl, alkynyl, aryl, heteroaryl, C_nH_aF_b, OC_nH_aF_b, C₆H_cF_d, and OC₆H_cF_d;
 - R⁴ is the same or different at each occurrence and is selected from alkylene, heteroalkylene, alkenylene, arylene, or heteroarylene;
 - a, b, c, and d are 0 or an integer such that a+b = 2n + 1, and c + d = 5,
 - n is an integer;
 - x is 0, 1 or 2; and
 - y is 0 or an integer from 1 through 3;
 with the proviso that there is at least one substituent on an aromatic group selected from F, C_nH_aF_b, OC_nH_aF_b, C₆H_cF_d, and OC₆H_cF_d.

6. A composition comprising a polymer having at least one first monomeric unit having Formula II(b) in Figure 2, wherein:

R^2 and R^3 are the same or different at each occurrence and are selected from H, F, Cl, Br, alkyl, heteroalkyl, alkenyl, alkynyl,

5 aryl, heteroaryl, $C_nH_aF_b$, $OC_nH_aF_b$, $C_6H_cF_d$, and $OC_6H_cF_d$;

R^4 is the same or different at each occurrence and is selected from alkylene, heteroalkylene, alkenylene, arylene, or heteroarylene;

a, b, c, and d are 0 or an integer such that $a+b = 2n + 1$, and $c + d = 5$,

10 n is an integer;

x is 0, 1 or 2; and

y is 0 or an integer from 1 through 3;

with the proviso that there is at least one substituent on an aromatic group selected from F, $C_nH_aF_b$, $OC_nH_aF_b$, $C_6H_cF_d$, and $OC_6H_cF_d$.

15 7. A composition comprising a polymer having at least one first monomeric unit having Formula II(c) in Figure 2, wherein:

R^2 and R^3 are the same or different at each occurrence and are selected from H, F, Cl, Br, alkyl, heteroalkyl, alkenyl, alkynyl,

aryl, heteroaryl, $C_nH_aF_b$, $OC_nH_aF_b$, $C_6H_cF_d$, and $OC_6H_cF_d$;

20 R^4 is the same or different at each occurrence and is selected from alkylene, heteroalkylene, alkenylene, arylene, or heteroarylene;

a, b, c, and d are 0 or an integer such that $a+b = 2n + 1$, and $c + d = 5$,

n is an integer;

25 p is 0 or 1; and

y is 0 or an integer from 1 through 3;

with the proviso that there is at least one substituent on an aromatic group selected from F, $C_nH_aF_b$, $OC_nH_aF_b$, $C_6H_cF_d$, and $OC_6H_cF_d$.

30 8. The composition of any one of Claims 5, 6, or 7, wherein R^2 is selected from phenyl, substituted phenyl, biphenyl, substituted biphenyl, pyridyl, substituted pyridyl, bipyridyl, and substituted bipyridyl.

9. The composition of Claims 5, 6, or 7, wherein R^4 is selected from phenylene, phenylenalkylene, alkylene and alkenylene.

35 10. A composition comprising a polymer having at least one first monomeric unit having Formula III(a), in Figure 3, wherein:

R^4 is the same or different at each occurrence and is selected from alkylene, heteroalkylene, alkenylene, arylene, or heteroarylene;

- 5 R^5 is the same or different at each occurrence and is selected from H, F, Cl, Br, hydroxyl, carboxyl, carbonyl, silyl, siloxyl, alkyl, heteroalkyl, alkenyl, alkynyl, aryl, heteroaryl, alkylenearyl, alkenylaryl, alkynylaryl, alkyleneheteroaryl, alkenylheteroaryl, alkynylheteroaryl, $C_nH_aF_b$, $OC_nH_aF_b$, $C_6H_cF_d$, and $OC_6H_cF_d$, or both of R^5 together may constitute an arylene or heteroarylene group;
- 10 a, b, c, and d are 0 or an integer such that $a+b = 2n + 1$, and $c + d = 5$,
n is an integer; and
z is 0 or an integer from 1 through 4; and wherein such polymer is not a homopolymer.
11. A composition comprising a polymer having at least one first monomeric unit having Formula III(a), in Figure 3, wherein:
- 15 R^4 is the same or different at each occurrence and is selected from alkylene, heteroalkylene, alkenylene, arylene, or heteroarylene;
 R^5 is the same or different at each occurrence and is selected from H, F, Cl, Br, hydroxyl, carboxyl, carbonyl, silyl, siloxyl, alkyl, heteroalkyl, alkenyl, alkynyl, aryl, heteroaryl, alkylenearyl, alkenylaryl, alkynylaryl, alkyleneheteroaryl, alkenylheteroaryl, alkynylheteroaryl, $C_nH_aF_b$, $OC_nH_aF_b$, $C_6H_cF_d$, and $OC_6H_cF_d$, or both of R^5 together may constitute an arylene or heteroarylene group;
- 20 a, b, c, and d are 0 or an integer such that $a+b = 2n + 1$, and $c + d = 5$,
n is an integer; and
x is 0, 1, or 2.
12. The composition of Claims 10 or 11, wherein R^4 is selected from phenylene, phenylenalkylene, alkylene and alkenylene.
- 30 13. The composition of Claims 10 or 11, wherein R^5 is selected from phenylalkenyl groups, phenylalkynyl groups, alkylacetate groups, arylcarbonyl groups, alkyl groups having 1 through 12 carbon atoms, phenyl groups, substituted phenyl groups, pyridyl groups, and substituted pyridyl groups.
- 35 14. The composition of Claims 10 or 11, wherein two adjacent R^5 together are a biarylene group.
15. A material comprising a polymer having at least one first monomeric unit having Formula I, I(a) through I(c) in Figure 1 and at least

one second monomeric unit selected from Formulae II(a) through II(c) in Figure 2 and Formulae III(a) to III(d) in Figure 3, wherein:

in Formulae I(a) through I(c):

Ar¹ can be the same or different at each occurrence and is selected from aryl and heteroaryl;

Ar² can be the same or different at each occurrence and is selected from arylene and heteroarylene;

R¹ can be the same or different at each occurrence and is selected from H, alkyl, heteroalkyl, aryl, heteroaryl, arylalkylene, heteroarylalkylene, C_nH_aF_b, and C₆H_cF_d; or adjacent R¹ groups can be joined to form 5- or 6-membered rings;

n is an integer; and

a, b, c, and d are 0 or an integer such that a+b = 2n + 1, and c + d = 5;

in Formulae II(a) through II(c):

R² and R³ are the same or different at each occurrence and are selected from H, F, Cl, Br, alkyl, heteroalkyl, alkenyl, alkynyl, aryl, heteroaryl, C_nH_aF_b, OC_nH_aF_b, C₆H_cF_d, and OC₆H_cF_d;

R⁴ is the same or different at each occurrence and is selected from alkylene, heteroalkylene, alkenylene, arylene, or heteroarylene;

a, b, c, and d are 0 or an integer such that a+b = 2n + 1, and c + d = 5,

n is an integer;

p is 0 or 1;

x is 0, 1 or 2; and

y is 0 or an integer from 1 through 3;

with the proviso that there is at least one substituent on an aromatic group selected from F, C_nH_aF_b, OC_nH_aF_b, C₆H_cF_d, and OC₆H_cF_d;

in Formulae III(a) through III(d):

R⁴ is the same or different at each occurrence and is selected from alkylene, heteroalkylene, alkenylene, arylene, or heteroarylene;

R⁵ is the same or different at each occurrence and is selected from H, F, Cl, Br, hydroxyl, carboxyl, carbonyl, silyl, siloxyl, alkyl, heteroalkyl, alkenyl, alkynyl, aryl, heteroaryl, alkylenearyl, alkenylaryl, alkynylaryl, alkyleneheteroaryl, alkenylheteroaryl, alkynylheteroaryl, C_nH_aF_b, OC_nH_aF_b, C₆H_cF_d, and OC₆H_cF_d, or both of R⁵ together may constitute an arylene or heteroarylene group;

- a, b, c, and d are 0 or an integer such that $a+b = 2n + 1$, and $c + d = 5$,
n is an integer;
x is 0, 1, or 2;
5 y is 0, 1, 2, or 3; and
z is 0 or an integer from 1 through 4.
16. A composition comprising a polymer having at least one first monomeric unit selected from Formulae IV(a) through IV(e) in Figure 4.
- 10 17. A composition comprising a polymer having at least one first monomeric unit having Formula IV(f) in Figure 4.
18. An electronic device comprising a composition comprising a polymer having at least one first monomeric unit having Formula I(a), I(b), or I(c), in Figure 1, wherein:
- 15 Ar¹ can be the same or different at each occurrence and is selected from aryl and heteroaryl;
Ar² can be the same or different at each occurrence and is selected from arylene and heteroarylene;
R¹ can be the same or different at each occurrence and is selected from H, alkyl, heteroalkyl, aryl, heteroaryl, arylalkylene,
20 heteroarylalkylene, C_nH_aF_b, and C₆H_cF_d; or adjacent R¹ groups can be joined to form 5- or 6-membered rings;
n is an integer;
y is 0, 1, 2, or 3;
z is 0, 1, 2, 3, or 4; and
25 a, b, c, and d are 0 or an integer such that $a+b = 2n + 1$, and $c + d = 5$.
19. The device of Claim 18 wherein Ar¹ is selected from phenyl, substituted phenyl, biphenyl, substituted biphenyl, pyridyl, substituted pyridyl, bipyridyl, and substituted bipyridyl.
- 30 20. The device of Claim 18 wherein N(R¹)₂ is selected from carbazoles, benzodiazoles, and benzotriazoles.
21. The device of Claim 18 wherein R¹ is selected from alkyl groups having 1 through 12 carbon atoms, phenyl and benzyl.
22. An electronic device comprising a composition comprising a
35 polymer having at least one first monomeric unit having Formula II(a) in Figure 2, wherein:

5 R^2 and R^3 are the same or different at each occurrence and are
 selected from H, F, Cl, Br, alkyl, heteroalkyl, alkenyl, alkynyl,
 aryl, heteroaryl, $C_nH_aF_b$, $OC_nH_aF_b$, $C_6H_cF_d$, and $OC_6H_cF_d$;
 R^4 is the same or different at each occurrence and is selected from
 10 alkylene, heteroalkylene, alkenylene, arylene, or heteroarylene;
 a, b, c, and d are 0 or an integer such that $a+b = 2n + 1$, and $c + d$
 = 5,
 n is an integer;
 x is 0, 1 or 2; and
 15 y is 0 or an integer from 1 through 3;
 with the proviso that there is at least one substituent on an aromatic
 group selected from F, $C_nH_aF_b$, $OC_nH_aF_b$, $C_6H_cF_d$, and $OC_6H_cF_d$.
 23. An electronic device comprising a composition comprising a
 polymer having at least one first monomeric unit having Formula II(b) in
 15 Figure 2, wherein:
 R^2 and R^3 are the same or different at each occurrence and are
 selected from H, F, Cl, Br, alkyl, heteroalkyl, alkenyl, alkynyl,
 aryl, heteroaryl, $C_nH_aF_b$, $OC_nH_aF_b$, $C_6H_cF_d$, and $OC_6H_cF_d$;
 R^4 is the same or different at each occurrence and is selected from
 20 alkylene, heteroalkylene, alkenylene, arylene, or heteroarylene;
 a, b, c, and d are 0 or an integer such that $a+b = 2n + 1$, and $c + d$
 = 5,
 n is an integer;
 x is 0, 1 or 2; and
 25 y is 0 or an integer from 1 through 3;
 with the proviso that there is at least one substituent on an aromatic
 group selected from F, $C_nH_aF_b$, $OC_nH_aF_b$, $C_6H_cF_d$, and $OC_6H_cF_d$.
 24. An electronic device comprising a composition comprising a
 polymer having at least one first monomeric unit having Formula II(c) in
 30 Figure 2, wherein:
 R^2 and R^3 are the same or different at each occurrence and are
 selected from H, F, Cl, Br, alkyl, heteroalkyl, alkenyl, alkynyl,
 aryl, heteroaryl, $C_nH_aF_b$, $OC_nH_aF_b$, $C_6H_cF_d$, and $OC_6H_cF_d$;
 R^4 is the same or different at each occurrence and is selected from
 35 alkylene, heteroalkylene, alkenylene, arylene, or heteroarylene;
 a, b, c, and d are 0 or an integer such that $a+b = 2n + 1$, and $c + d$
 = 5,
 n is an integer;

p is 0 or 1; and

y is 0 or an integer from 1 through 3;

with the proviso that there is at least one substituent on an aromatic group selected from F, $C_nH_aF_b$, $OC_nH_aF_b$, $C_6H_cF_d$, and $OC_6H_cF_d$.

5 25. The device of any one of Claims 22, 23, or 24, wherein R^2 is selected from phenyl, substituted phenyl, biphenyl, substituted biphenyl, pyridyl, substituted pyridyl, bipyridyl, and substituted bipyridyl.

26. The device of Claims 22, 23, or 24, wherein R^4 is selected from phenylene, phenylenalkylene, alkylene and alkenylene.

10 27. An electronic device comprising a composition comprising a polymer having at least one first monomeric unit having Formula III(a), in Figure 3, wherein:

R^4 is the same or different at each occurrence and is selected from alkylene, heteroalkylene, alkenylene, arylene, or heteroarylene;

15 R^5 is the same or different at each occurrence and is selected from H, F, Cl, Br, hydroxyl, carboxyl, carbonyl, silyl, siloxyl, alkyl, heteroalkyl, alkenyl, alkynyl, aryl, heteroaryl, alkylenearyl, alkenylaryl, alkynylaryl, alkyleneheteroaryl, alkenylheteroaryl, alkynylheteroaryl, $C_nH_aF_b$, $OC_nH_aF_b$, $C_6H_cF_d$, and $OC_6H_cF_d$,
20 or both of R^5 together may constitute an arylene or heteroarylene group;

a, b, c, and d are 0 or an integer such that $a+b = 2n + 1$, and $c + d = 5$,

n is an integer; and

25 z is 0 or an integer from 1 through 4.

28. An electronic device comprising a composition comprising a polymer having at least one first monomeric unit having Formulae III(b) to III(d), in Figure 3, wherein:

30 R^4 is the same or different at each occurrence and is selected from alkylene, heteroalkylene, alkenylene, arylene, or heteroarylene;

35 R^5 is the same or different at each occurrence and is selected from H, F, Cl, Br, hydroxyl, carboxyl, carbonyl, silyl, siloxyl, alkyl, heteroalkyl, alkenyl, alkynyl, aryl, heteroaryl, alkylenearyl, alkenylaryl, alkynylaryl, alkyleneheteroaryl, alkenylheteroaryl, alkynylheteroaryl, $C_nH_aF_b$, $OC_nH_aF_b$, $C_6H_cF_d$, and $OC_6H_cF_d$,
or both of R^5 together may constitute an arylene or heteroarylene group;

a, b, c, and d are 0 or an integer such that $a+b = 2n + 1$, and $c + d = 5$,

n is an integer;

x is 0, 1, or 2;

5 y is 0, 1, 2, or 3; and

z is 0, 1, 2, 3, or 4.

29. The device of Claims 27 or 28, wherein R^4 is selected from phenylene, phenylenalkylene, alkylene and alkenylene.

10 30. The device of Claims 27 or 28, wherein R^5 is selected from phenylalkenyl groups, phenylakynyl groups, alkylacetate groups, arylcarbonyl groups, alkyl groups having 1 through 12 carbon atoms, phenyl groups, substituted phenyl groups, pyridyl groups, and substituted pyridyl groups.

15 31. The composition of Claims 27 or 28, wherein two adjacent R^5 together are a biarylene group.

32. An electronic device comprising a material comprising a polymer having at least one first monomeric unit having Formulae I(a) through I(c) in Figure 1 and at least one second monomeric unit selected from Formulae II(a) through II(c) in Figure 2 and Formulae III(a) through
20 III(d) in Figure 3, wherein:

in Formula I(a) through I(c):

Ar^1 can be the same or different at each occurrence and is selected from aryl and heteroaryl;

25 Ar^2 can be the same or different at each occurrence and is selected from arylene and heteroarylene;

R^1 can be the same or different at each occurrence and is selected from H, alkyl, heteroalkyl, aryl, heteroaryl, arylalkylene, heteroarylalkylene, $C_nH_aF_b$, and $C_6H_cF_d$; or adjacent R^1 groups can be joined to form 5- or 6-membered rings;

30 n is an integer;

y is 0, 1, 2, or 3;

z is 0, 1, 2, 3, or 4; and

a, b, c, and d are 0 or an integer such that $a+b = 2n + 1$, and $c + d = 5$;

35 in Formulae II(a) through II(c):

R^2 and R^3 are the same or different at each occurrence and are selected from H, F, Cl, Br, alkyl, heteroalkyl, alkenyl, alkynyl, aryl, heteroaryl, $C_nH_aF_b$, $OC_nH_aF_b$, $C_6H_cF_d$, and $OC_6H_cF_d$;

- R^4 is the same or different at each occurrence and is selected from
 alkylene, heteroalkylene, alkenylene, arylene, or heteroarylene;
 a, b, c, and d are 0 or an integer such that $a+b = 2n + 1$, and $c + d$
 = 5,
 5 n is an integer;
 p is 0 or 1;
 x is 0, 1 or 2; and
 y is 0 or an integer from 1 through 3;
 with the proviso that there is at least one substituent on an aromatic
 10 group selected from F, $C_nH_aF_b$, $OC_nH_aF_b$, $C_6H_cF_d$, and $OC_6H_cF_d$;
in Formulae III(a) through III(d):
 R^4 is the same or different at each occurrence and is selected from
 alkylene, heteroalkylene, alkenylene, arylene, or heteroarylene;
 R^5 is the same or different at each occurrence and is selected from
 15 H, F, Cl, Br, hydroxyl, carboxyl, carbonyl, silyl, siloxyl, alkyl,
 heteroalkyl, alkenyl, alkynyl, aryl, heteroaryl, alkylenearyl,
 alkenylaryl, alkynylaryl, alkyleneheteroaryl, alkenylheteroaryl,
 alkynylheteroaryl, $C_nH_aF_b$, $OC_nH_aF_b$, $C_6H_cF_d$, and $OC_6H_cF_d$,
 or both of R^5 together may constitute an arylene or
 20 heteroarylene group;
 a, b, c, and d are 0 or an integer such that $a+b = 2n + 1$, and $c + d$
 = 5,
 n is an integer;
 x is 0, 1, or 2;
 25 y is 0, 1, 2, or 3; and
 z is 0 or an integer from 1 through 4.
33. An electronic device comprising a composition comprising a
 polymer having at least one first monomeric unit selected from Formulae
 IV(a) through IV(e) in Figure 4.
- 30 34. An electronic device comprising a composition comprising a
 polymer having at least one first monomeric unit having Formula IV(f) in
 Figure 4.
- 35 35. A composition comprising a polymer having at least one first
 monomeric unit having Formula I(b) or I(c) in Figure 1, wherein:
 Ar^1 can be the same or different at each occurrence and is selected
 from aryl and heteroaryl;
 Ar^2 can be the same or different at each occurrence and is selected
 from arylene and heteroarylene;

R^5 is the same or different at each occurrence and is selected from
 H, F, Cl, Br, hydroxyl, carboxyl, carbonyl, silyl, siloxyl, alkyl,
 heteroalkyl, alkenyl, alkynyl, aryl, heteroaryl, alkylenearyl,
 alkenylaryl, alkynylaryl, alkyleneheteroaryl, alkenylheteroaryl,
 alkynylheteroaryl, $C_nH_aF_b$, $OC_nH_aF_b$, $C_6H_cF_d$, and $OC_6H_cF_d$,
 or both of R^5 together may constitute an arylene or
 heteroarylene group;
 a, b, c, and d are 0 or an integer such that $a+b = 2n + 1$, and $c + d$
 $= 5$,
 n is an integer (as above);
 y is 0 or an integer from 1 through 3;
 z is 0 or an integer from 1 through 4; and
 wherein such polymer is not a homopolymer.

36. A composition comprising a polymer having at least one first
 monomeric unit having Formula III(c) or III(d) in Figure 3, wherein:
 R^4 is the same or different at each occurrence and is selected from
 alkylene, heteroalkylene, alkenylene, arylene, heteroarylene or
 arylenealkynylene;
 R^5 is the same or different at each occurrence and is selected from
 H, F, Cl, Br, hydroxyl, carboxyl, carbonyl, silyl, siloxyl, alkyl,
 heteroalkyl, alkenyl, alkynyl, aryl, heteroaryl, alkylenearyl,
 alkenylaryl, alkynylaryl, alkyleneheteroaryl, alkenylheteroaryl,
 alkynylheteroaryl, $C_nH_aF_b$, $OC_nH_aF_b$, $C_6H_cF_d$, and $OC_6H_cF_d$,
 or both of R^5 together may constitute an arylene or
 heteroarylene group;
 a, b, c, and d are 0 or an integer such that $a+b = 2n + 1$, and $c + d$
 $= 5$,
 n is an integer;
 x is 0, 1, or 2;
 y is 0 or an integer from 1 through 3; and
 wherein such polymer is not a homopolymer.

37. A composition comprising a polymer having at least one first
 monomeric unit having Formula III(b), wherein:
 R^4 is the same or different at each occurrence and is selected from
 alkylene, heteroalkylene, alkenylene, arylene, heteroarylene or
 arylenealkynylene;
 R^5 is the same or different at each occurrence and is selected from
 H, F, Cl, Br, hydroxyl, carboxyl, carbonyl, silyl, siloxyl, alkyl,

heteroalkyl, alkenyl, alkynyl, aryl, heteroaryl, alkylenearyl, alkenylaryl, alkynylaryl, alkyleneheteroaryl, alkenylheteroaryl, alkynylheteroaryl, $C_nH_aF_b$, $OC_nH_aF_b$, $C_6H_cF_d$, and $OC_6H_cF_d$, or both of R^5 together may constitute an arylene or
5 heteroarylene group;

a, b, c, and d are 0 or an integer such that $a+b = 2n + 1$, and $c + d = 5$,

n is an integer;

x is 0, 1, or 2; and

10 wherein such polymer is not a homopolymer.

36 37. A device comprising a layer of material comprising the polymer of Claims 35, 36, or 37.

39 38. A device according to Claims 18, 35, 36, and 37, wherein the device is a light-emitting diode, light-emitting electrochemical cell, or a
15 photodetector.